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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERIPHERAL VEIN FLUID REMOVAL IN  
HEART FAILURE

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August 19, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for  
examination, please amend the application as follows: